

Appl. No. 10/698,871
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Reply to Office Action of February 1, 2006
Customer No. 27752

REMARKS

Claim Status

Claims 1-10 and 12-22 are pending in the present application. No additional claims fee is believed to be due.

Claim 11 is canceled without prejudice.

Claims 1, 16, 18, 19 and 20 have been amended to recite an anionic polymer. Support for the amendment is found at pages 17-22 of the specification. Claims 6 and 10 have been rewritten to correct antecedent basis.

Rejection Under 35 USC §112, First Paragraph

The Office Action states that claims 1-22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, as being indefinite for failing to particularl point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards, as the invention. Claims 1, 18 and 18 have been amended to recite that the perfume polymeric particle in the personal care composition comprises (1) a anionic polymer and (2) a perfume. Claim 16 has been amended to recite that the perfume polymeric particle in the personal care composition comprises (1) a anionic polymer which exhibits a greater affinity for a perfume raw material having certain characteristics. As amended, claims 1-10 and 12-22 clearly point out and dictinctly the subject matter which the applicants regard, as the invention. Therefore, the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112 have been overcome by this amendment.

CONCLUSION

This response represents an earnest effort to place the application in proper form. In view of the foregoing, reconsideration of this application, entry of the amendments presented herein, and allowance of Claims 1-10 and 12-22 is respectfully requested.

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